

Mid-Atlantic Alpaca Association – Board Meeting Minutes

September 15, 2020

Meeting called to order at 8:02 PM

Attendees: Carole Rost, Barb Sodums, Arlene Fusko, Randy Strong, Jeff Jorritsma, Chris Reachard.

Approval of Minutes: 8/19/20 Minutes – **Motion to approve by Arlene, Second by Chris, Unanimous.**

Treasurer's Report: 9/15/20 by Jeff:

Current Bank Balance: \$19,058.87

Paid:

August 21st - Debit: Storage Depot - \$183.38

September 10th - Conference call - \$79.77

Current Paypal balance \$6070.81

Paypal fee for September \$30.00

MAPACA balance \$25,129.68

Motion to approve by Chris, Second by Arlene, Unanimous.

Carole reported that the Income Taxes are complete and signed and being returned to Bill.

Showtacular: Has officially been cancelled.

Refund will be coming to Jeff for total amount MAPACA paid - \$6225.00

NEAOBA is planning their own show at the Big E in Springfield Mass.

Jeff gave a rundown of the plan for the Empire Fleece Show to take place October 24th at the Mecklenburg Firehouse.

Barb asked about arrangements for the Showtacular fleeces she is holding from the PAOBA show that will need to be returned to exhibitors if they don't want to enter them in the Empire Fleece show. Pre-paid return shipping should have been paid at the registration for the PAOBA show. Barb will follow up with Tom

Avila (Showtacular Registration Administrator) and make arrangements to ship fleeces if necessary (fleeces are stored at Barb's).

For Fleece mail-back from the Empire Fleece Show exhibitors will have to pay when they register for the show.

Trailer Search update:

Board agreed that \$3800 trailer previously discussed is more money that we'd like to spend.

Randy asked about our need to continue to have carpeting, and Carole responded that we will need it in the future at least for the show rings.

Search will continue for a trailer, minimum of 14' box to accommodate the carpet.

Jubilee Update:

Judging – Carole has an email out to Auturo P. for judging.

Carole's "judging options" chart was discussed and after a few changes were suggested Carole will email the final ideas to members for their approval.

Carole reviewed the new regs for Small Breeder/Novice classes – Farms with fewer than 10 years in the business OR fewer than 20 registered females are now eligible. Discussed whether to have this class show in the regular halter line-up, or have a separate small/novice breeder's show.

Both the Buckeye and VAOBA shows are scheduled to go forward, so Carole asked if we want to donate a Sponsorship to the VAOBA auction in exchange for one from them for the Jubilee, as usual.

Motion by Jeff to offer a MAPACA Ruby Sponsorship to the VAOBA auction in exchange for a top level sponsorship from VAOBA for the Jubilee Auction.

Second by Arlene, Unanimous.

Other Business:

Board Vacancy – Carole announced that there are still no candidates for the board vacancy, but that Mary Reed is interested in the appointment.

Motion by Barb to offer a MAPACA board appointment to Mary Reed, second by Arlene, Unanimous.

A trip to the Show Venue is planned for 10/13 or 20. Chris and Arlene expressed interest in going with Carole, and a possible Zoom Meeting with the Board was suggested. Carole will get back to us with the trip date and board meeting plan.

Motion to Adjourn at 8:59 pm by Chris, second by Randy, Unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted by: Barb Sodums, Secretary